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COORDINATES OF MOLECULES COMPRISING AN

IMPDH-LIKE BINDING POCKET

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in reply to the January 4, 2005 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have filed herewith a Request for Continued Examination. Applicants also submit concurrently herewith a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) to extend the time for filing this reply for three months up to and including July 4, 2005. However, because July 4, 2005 is a Federal holiday, the due date for submitting the reply is July 5, 2005. Accordingly, the reply is timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

REMARKS begin on page 17 of this Amendment.